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Choice Hardy Perennial Plants



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THE BALLARD STRAIN OF ECHINACEA

Some twenty-five years ago Mr. Ernest Ballard of Collwall, England, the famous hybridizer of Michaelmas Daisies, began to work with our native Echinacea, the Cone Flower.

With patient skill Mr. Ballard has transformed Echinacea into a splendid garden plant. The strong, upright growth and dignity have been retained while the flowers have become much larger, the color is now a glowing rose, and best of all, instead of sparse petals hanging down in dejected fashion, the flowers carry wide, overlapping petals which stand out horizontally in a glorious burst of color around the center cones.

These cones are an interesting feature of the flowers. When the petals first unfold, the center of the flower is slightly rounded. As the flower ages, the petals change color day by day until they fade to an "ashes of roses" color, while the centers enlarge until they have taken the cone shape which gives the plant its common name. Each flower will last for many days before becoming unsightly, and the plants are in bloom from the end of July through the rest of the summer.

Echinacea is a long lived perennial, making an imposing clump when allowed to grow undisturbed for several years. It does well in shade.

The plants I am offering now have been propagated from Mr. Ballard's own stock, selected by him personally to send to my nursery.

Three plants	\$2.25
Ten plants	\$7.00

VIOLA "KATHLEEN"

This viola is probably a seedling of the well known viola Maggie Mott, as the size and shape of the flower resembles that of Maggie Mott.

The color is a lovely blue, and the flowers have a few rays at the center which are not strong enough to detract from their beauty. Artists have told me that they enhance it.

The flowers are very large, are borne on long stems, and have a sweet perfume. The plants are strong, vigorous growers.

I have watched "Kathleen" carefully and have found no other viola to compare with it in its ability to withstand the hot weather of our summers. From the beginning of spring in April until heavy frost in autumn, there is never a day when the plants are not in bloom.

This ability to flower in hot weather and its beautiful blue color are the outstanding characteristics of Viola "Kathleen."

Three plants	\$1.35
Ten plants	\$4.00

Both the Ballard Echinacea and Viola "Kathleen" are to be had only at Green Brook Gardens, and are offered this year for the first time.

POTENTILLA WARRENSI

New, and a valuable plant. The foliage—exactly like strawberry leaves—is ornamental all summer, while sprays of delightful golden flowers appear continuously through June and July. Easily grown in a sunny position.

Three plants	\$1.00
Ten plants	\$3.00



SILENE FORTUNEI

A beautiful border plant that has been too long overlooked. It has pretty dark green foliage, and in August the plants are covered with masses of dainty, bright rose flowers on dark red stems eighteen inches high, making lovely patches of color at a time when color is needed.

Three plants	\$1.00
Ten plants	\$3.00



FUNKIA "THOMAS HOGG"

A handsome plantain lily for a shady border. The broad leaves are bordered with white. The deep lavender flowers are much larger than the type. Beautiful for cutting.

Three plants	\$1.00
Ten plants	\$3.00

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